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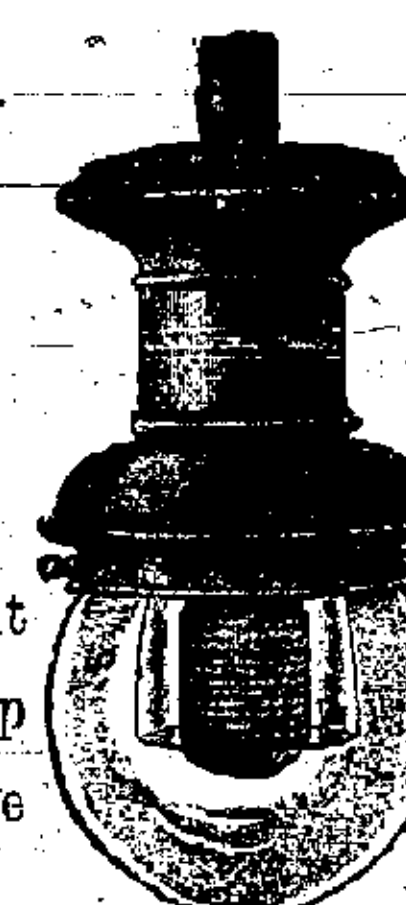

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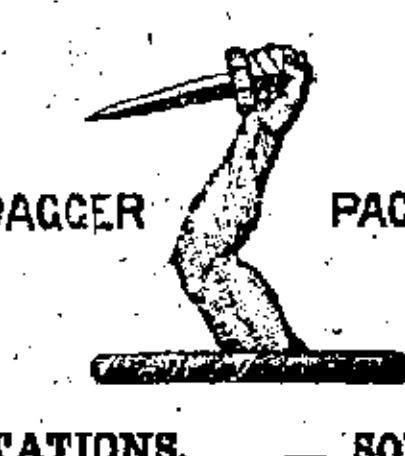
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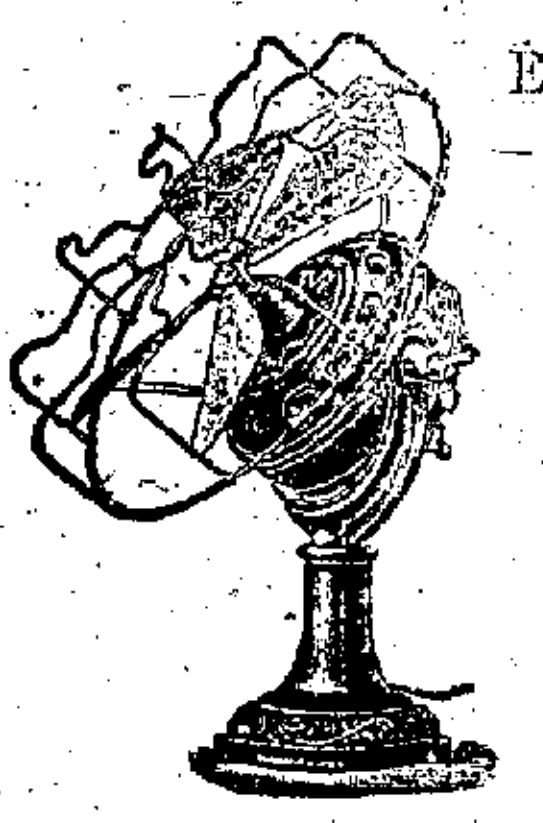
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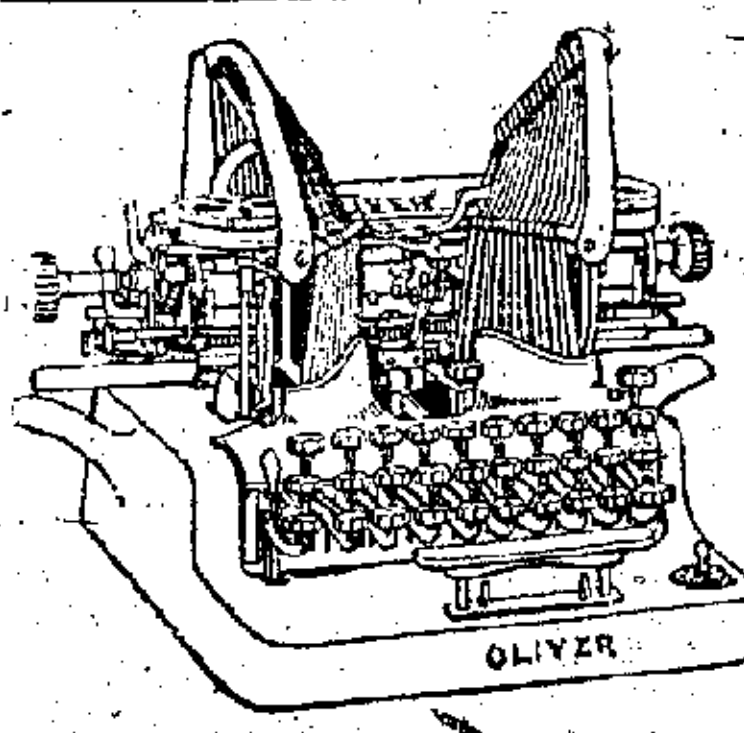
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Transfer Books of Watkins, Ltd., close

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dence Magazine Gap Road.

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this date subject to rent.

Tuesday, May 26.—

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Wednesday, May 27.—

11.30 a.m.—Meeting of The Star

Ferry Co., Ltd.

Friday, May 29.—

6 p.m.—Auction of Yacht Mary & Joan

at Ah King's Shipway.

Saturday, May 30.—

Noon—Readers will be received at the

Office of Colonial Secretary.

Noon—Meeting of A. S. Watson & Co.,

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2 p.m.—Meeting of Watkins, Ltd., at

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HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, MAY 20, 1908.

NATIONAL SERVICE LEAGUE.

PREJUDICE against conscription among

British people has no doubt impeded

the growth of the National Service

League. That body has for its objects:

(1). To ensure peace and security for

the British Empire by organising our

Land Forces in such a manner that we

may not only be able to defend suc-

cessfully any portion of the Empire

against attack, but also that the

strength of our defensive arrange-

ments may render attack improbable.

(2). To improve the moral and physical

condition of the nation and thereby to

increase its industrial efficiency. With

these objects the most capacious critic

could scarcely find fault. It is not con-

scription that the League advocates,

in fact it explicitly disavows any desire

to see conscription of the Continental

type adopted in Great Britain. What

it desires to see is a system of

universal, and therefore compulsory,

military training for the whole male

population before it reaches the age

of twenty-one. We agree with the

League that from every point of view

the innovation is desirable and neces-

sary. The physique of the British

people would vastly improve. That it

stands in need of improvement is

clearly shown by the great percentage

of recruits who offer for service in the

regular army who are rejected. This

crowding of the bulk of the people into

the large manufacturing centres with

the resultant disabilities of insufficient

pure air and healthy exercise is steadily

tending to reduce the national stature

and impair the national vitality. If

the system proposed by the League

only succeeded in arresting these un-

fortunate phenomena it would be

entitled to the enthusiastic support

of every well-wisher of the Empire.

But this is only one and not the

most important of the benefits which

would trend closely after the establish-

ment of universal military training

for the young. There would be pro-

vided against highly probable days of

peril a body of men trained to the

use of arms and accustomed to obey

the commands of their officers; in a

word a disciplined force which would

be not only willing but capable of

opposing invasion of the heart of the

Empire. We do not doubt the courage

and patriotism of the great bulk of the

British people to-day. But we have

equally little doubt that if they

were hastily mobilised and brought face

to face with trained Continental troops

not all the traditional British courage

would save them from being swept

away like chaff before a whirlwind.

Knowledge and training in modern

warfare stand for more than courage

And we have no monopoly of courage.

It is a simple mathematical problem.

Let x equal courage, y equal knowledge,

z equal training. Can x=y+z?

Very little knowledge of mathematics is

required to answer in the negative.

When we turn to the objections raised

against the League's proposals we are

struck with their weakness and in-

adequacy. It is said that industry will

be disorganised and that an undesirable

spirit of militarism and a lust after

military adventure will be induced.

In the first place it is obvious that the

dislocation of industry would be much

less than in Continental countries where

conscription obtains. Our great and

most successful trade rival, as the

League points out, is Germany where a

rigorous system of conscription is in

force. Germany's industrial conditions

have evidently not suffered and it is

clear that under the much milder sys-

tem advocated for Great Britain our

industries would suffer less. There is

no evidence to show that a military

training predisposes towards militarism.

A legal training does not predispose

towards litigation. How often does the

world hear of one lawyer proceeding

against another? In our opinion these

arguments can be brushed aside as

unworthy of serious discussion. We

have in Hongkong branches of a num-

ber of Leagues and Associations and it

might seem superfluous to add to them.

But we think that the objects of the

National Service League are so thorow-

ly worthy of support that we would hail

with the greatest satisfaction the an-

nouncement that preliminary steps were

being taken to establish a local branch.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

An unsuccessful Japanese speculator

at Osaka who had lost his all (about \$6500)

BRITAIN'S NAVY.

IMPROVED SUBMARINES.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuters, via Bombay.)

LONDON, May 19. The first of a new and larger type of submarine has been launched at Barrow. The vessel has twin screws and is provided with four torpedo tubes. Previous types of submarines have been single screw and have had but one torpedo tube.

CANADA'S NAVY.

SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENT.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuters, via Bombay.)

LONDON, May 19. Captain O. E. King-Gill, R.N., has been promoted Rear-Admiral prior to taking command of Canada's marine services. This appointment is the first preliminary to the extension of Canada's naval forces and the training of Canadian blue-jackets on Canada's own ships.

THE INDIAN FRONTIER TROUBLE.

LONDON, May 18. The Mohmands made a determined night attack on the pickets of General Willcox's force at Dowazgal. Many of the pickets were found dead, and the 22nd Punjab Regt. were heavily pressed for four hours with a loss of 9 killed and 24 wounded.

AN ASSASSIN EXECUTED.

LONDON, May 18. The Sheikh who assassinated Sir Colin Campbell Scott-Moncrieff near Mesalamia has been executed.

THE LATE PREMIER.

LONDON, May 18. The House of Commons has unanimously agreed to the erection of a monument to the late Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman in Westminster Abbey.

MR BALFOUR.

LONDON, May 18. Mr Balfour has returned to the House of Commons after several weeks' absence.

GREAT BRITAIN AND GERMANY.

LONDON, May 18. Fifty South German Burgomasters visiting London were received by Mr Haldane. In the House of Commons, Mr Haldane, on behalf of Mr Asquith, dwelt on the bonds uniting Germany and Great Britain. They had co-operated in the past and he hoped they would co-operate still more in the future. Mr Haldane specially instanced the work of civilization in the Colonies.

CHINA AND JAPAN.

LONDON, May 18. "The Times" correspondent in Peking wires that the Yala Timber Agreement has been signed.

FAILURE OF A BANK.

LONDON, May 18. The Pittsburgh Allegheny National Bank has closed owing to the alleged peculation of the cashier, who is now in goal. It is reported that the shortage exceeds \$2,000,000.

PLAGUE AT CANTON.

(From Our Correspondent.)
CANTON, May 19. Plague is spreading in the native quarters, and has become very serious in Shuntai, where in one family ten deaths have occurred. Two hundred deaths have been recorded since the outbreak this year in Ko Yiu.

The Marconi Wireless Telegraphy Company is now accepting messages from the public for transmission between London and Montreal, Canada, at 73d a word, including land rates.

AUSTRALIAN NEWSPAPER MAN'S EXPERIENCE WITH DIARRHOEA.

MR S. G. Mathers, publisher of Chronicle, Northampton, Queensland, says: "Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy completely cured me of chronic dysentery from which I suffered for years. I feel confident that this remedy also saved the life of my infant daughter, who when teething was severely attacked with diarrhoea and was given up by the doctors." For sale by all chemists and druggists.

THE YUNNAN RIOT.

IMPERIAL TROOPS ACTIVE.

(Chinese Mail's Service.)

PEKING, May 19. Sik Liang, the Governor of Yunnan, wires that his troops have been engaging with the rebels for two days and nights and that his positions have so far been maintained. Martial law has been proclaimed in Shantung-fu. He has ordered Tse Fung Chun to proceed to Nankai with his detachment to check the progress of the rebels.

After his audience with the Throne Liu Chun, Lin left Peking for Yunnan yesterday. He has had imperial instructions to investigate and report on the capabilities of the Governor of Yunnan to deal with the rebels.

In the event of any defect on the part of the Governor, Lin is to assume command of the operations against the rebels.

CANTON, May 19.

Viceroy Chang of Canton has received imperial instructions to strengthen the defences in Kwangsi, and if His Excellency considers it necessary to send the new army or a portion of it for service in Kwangsi.

Military Orders for Canton.

(From Our Correspondent.)

CANTON, May 19.

Things appear to be pretty critical in Yunnan. In one day (17th) as many as three telegraphic orders have been received from the head quarters at Yunnan for reinforcements and money. The General opinion here points to the inability of the Governor of Yunnan to deal with the position. Had a more thoughtful man been appointed, the position would not have been so bad. Still it is believed that there will be no difficulty in bringing about an early suppression of the rioters when Liu arrives. The fact is that the rioters are entirely out of order and probably the Governor's troops are more so, and this is responsible for the spreading of the riot. It seems that coolies and labourers who are unable to get a living are tempted to join for the miserable salary of \$10 a month, and that these persons have no intention whatever of overthrowing the existing dynasty. As long as they are paid there is no fear that they will stay away.

SPORTING.

Lawn Tennis.

THE KOWLOON HANDICAPS.

This afternoon an interesting doubles match is to be played on the Kowloon Cricket Club's ground, between Mrs. Tarrant and E. N. Miller and Mrs. Clelland and J. Clelland. The former pair owe 20 and the latter one 200. The game will start at 5.15.

On Saturday next, commencing at 4.30 p.m. the final in the Handicap Singles will take place. In this contest P. Kinnane (owed 40) meets E. N. Miller (owed 15). Considerable interest is being exhibited in the encounter and there will certainly be a large attendance when the match takes place.

Entries for the Club's Championships, both Singles and Doubles, close on Saturday.

AMOY NEWS.

(From Our Correspondent.)

AMOY, May 18.

Two more tournaments have been arranged for. The first is to take place on Friday afternoon and will be for mixed doubles, men to choose their partners. The tournament will be played off in the afternoon, the two prizes being presented by Mr. W. H. Wallace. The week after, a men's doubles tournament will be played on the knock out system.

The lawn is not in a very good condition unfortunately, and there is a marked difference in courts, which makes the tennis of a very uncertain character.

DEPARTURES.
The "Haiching" leaves to-day for Hongkong with Mr. Goolsby, who has been transferred to Canton. Mr. Goolsby is in the Standard Oil Co., and has been in Amoy for nearly two years. His place has been taken by Mr. O. Gorrell, who comes from the Hongkong office.

In all probability this will be the last trip Captain Hodgins will take as Captain of the Haiching before he leaves for Home. We wish him good luck in the bringing out of the new Douglas steamer.

COMMERCIAL.

Quarantine has now been imposed for some time, and the Manila coolee trade is finished. The s.s. "Taishang" which has been running regularly for the last four months or so, left for Shanghai this morning, where she will be docked. She is to be put on the Shanghai-Hankow run.

WEATHER.

Last Sunday was again a very hot day, and a thunder storm came up about 11 p.m. Some heavy rain fell for about half an hour. A North East gale arrived in the early afternoon, and blew very fresh for about 8 hours. To-day is cloudy and warm, with showers of rain at times. The wind is still North.

THE BOYCOTT.

The News in America.

The "New York Herald" of April 10, just to hand, makes a big feature of the boycott. It publishes the whole history of the movement, the story having been sent by cable in English and Chinese as well as in English in the paper, and constitutes a feature never before attempted, or accomplished, in the newspaper world. Copies of the "Herald's" special cable from Canton in Chinese and English were shown to-night, says the "Herald," to Dr. Wu Ting-fang, the Chinese Minister, who evinced keen interest in the progress of the so-called "civilized boycott," which is taking such a firm hold in his country. He read the English and Chinese versions through without comment.

When he had finished the Minister looked up at the "Herald," representative with an enigmatic smile and slowly repeated the words "civilized boycott," as if this expression alone had a well defined and far reaching significance which would not soon be forgotten by Japan and which would mark the Tatsu Maru incident as an event prearranged to show that Chinese national pride was not to be humbled.

Realizing that the seizure of the Japanese ship and the resulting diplomatic entanglements had been extensively settled, Dr. Wu would not repeat that question, but it required little imagination to see a gleam of satisfaction as he read of China's plans for revenge. It was apparent that he realized the seriousness of the situation to Japan, that he did not believe China would stop the boycott movement and that he was pleased at the manner in which Chinese officials had placed China's version of the Tatsu Maru case before the public.

Probably his greatest fear now is that the boycott movement may become so pronounced that drastic measures will be resorted to by Chinese patriots with the inevitable consequence that trouble between China and Japan is likely to be precipitated in some acute form which will rob the boycott of its slow but absorbing effectiveness.

Dr. Wu, however, refrained from expressing any view on the present situation for publication.

"I am so surprised and interested in the remarkable enterprise of the American press and the resulting diplomatic entanglements," said the Chinese Minister, "that I would not risk about that they Chinese policies, even if I felt at liberty to discuss present Chinese-Japanese relations."

THE INCIDENT CLOSED.
"The Tatsu Maru incident has been closed," he continued with the substance of a smile, "and therefore I wish to say nothing more about it. For the same reason I do not feel at liberty to comment on consequences arising out of that diplomatic incident. I would very much rather leave this to be possible for the 'Herald' to obtain cables in the Chinese language of the most recent events in my country."

"I can hardly realize that this Chinese despatch which I have just read has been called from China to be printed in New York," and will appear in tomorrow's "Herald." It must have first been written in Chinese, then cabled here in Chinese telegraphic code and then reproduced in its original form.

The "Herald" reporter informed Dr. Wu that the process he indicated had been followed.

"But," said the Chinese Minister, "think of this being done in such incredibly short time. It is really more wonderful than the sending of the Tatsu Maru to the United States in your paper in their own language. I am sure that Chinese here will be generally surprised to-morrow morning and that my countrymen will marvel at your American newspapers."

"These headlines are very good," Dr. Wu continued, turning the Chinese despatch at a certain angle and reading aloud in Chinese. "How do you like them?"

A RISING BARRISTER.

(From Our Correspondent.)

LONDON, April 21.

A tragedy is bringing into the public eye the secretary of the China Association, Mr. Chalmers Grenville Alabaster, who is a barrister and the son of the late Sir Chalmers Alabaster, K.C.M.G., who had a firm as British Consul General in China. An ex-soldier and picture dealer named Frank McGuire is being tried for the murder of his sweetheart, Miss Sheriff, on the Cliff at Burnmouth. Lady Alabaster lives at Burnmouth and Mr. Alabaster took an interest in the case, eventually entering it as counsel for the defence. So far before the magistrates he has made a very good showing for his client and has put in a plea of not guilty, backed by a statement that an alibi will be proved. The case has aroused widespread interest and may be the means of setting Mr. Alabaster, who is quite a young man, squarely on the main road for fame and fortune at the Bar. In legal circles he has not only a good connection as an advocate but has written a good deal, including "Alabaster's Law of Moneylenders and Borrowers." He is an active Conservative, and is secretary of the Bayswater Halilution of the Primrose League.

The Chicago Pullman Car Company has distributed the sum of \$35,000 among the conductors and porters who have been reported on as showing greater courtesy to the company's customers during the past year. A sum equivalent to a month's pay has been sent to each man.

PAIN IN THE STOMACH.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

THE OPIUM QUESTION.

(To the Editor of the CHINA MAIL.)

Sir, In your Leader on Monday evening you did me the honour to couple me with the Shanghai Correspondent of "The Times," in regard to the communication on the opium question that I ventured to send you, and then you proceed to show that we are both illiterate. I dare say that the Correspondent of "The Times" will take care of himself, when he sees that it is necessary to defend himself, but meanwhile perhaps you will be good enough to give me space for a few sentences in which I hope to show that I was not so very illiterate after all. To be illiterate is to reason contrary to the rules of logic. It is long since I studied the "rules of logic," but it appears to me that what I ventured to assert was well grounded upon facts, and after all these are stubborn things.

The first fact is that China has yet but imperfectly carried out the provisions of the Imperial Edict respecting the suppression of opium. Two possible explanations of this "fact" were offered. The Chinese Government might either be unwilling or unable to effect the desired end. I did not undertake to assert which was the more likely explanation. What I did say was that "I am not sure that it is the most judicious way to start by assuming that China is insincere, and means to hoodwink the too trusting foreigner, in order to enrich her own pocket. This may be her design but it has not yet been proved to be the case." While then this question remains undecided, it would seem to be the duty of the British Government to take a step forward, and thus show that we are not to be behind China, for with all the failure that is observable, it is also asserted by itself, as well as by the Correspondent of "The Times," that she has done something and is doing something to-day. But after all this side issue, as far as my contention goes, I based my statement of the advisability of doing something in the way of closing the opium drains as soon as may be consistent with a reasonable recognition of the claims of those who are involved on quite a different array of "facts." My contention was (1) That the British Government cannot stand idly by and see the Chinese struggling, however ineffectually, with what her most enlightened citizens regard as a gigantic evil and continuing her old policy as if there was nothing being discussed, attempted, done. Now, Sir, I venture to affirm that I have long stood a "fact." It is well known that "China's most enlightened citizens" regard the opium habit as it obtains to-day as a "gigantic evil," and one has only to read the Canton daily papers to see that this is so. Moreover these citizens are struggling against it. Only to-day I have been reading a report, which the Viceroy of Canton sent to the Magistrate at Lok Cheung, in regard to this question, and the advice, at any rate, left no doubt on the reader's mind that it was intended to convey the impression that opium smoking was an evil, and that the magistrate at Lok Cheung was to be asked to see that this is so. Moreover these citizens are struggling against it. Only to-day I have been reading a report, which the Viceroy of Canton sent to the Magistrate at Lok Cheung, in regard to this question, and the advice, at any rate, left no doubt on the reader's mind that it was intended to convey the impression that opium smoking was an evil, and that the magistrate at Lok Cheung was to be asked to see that this is so.

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SCOTTISH LETTER.

(From Our Correspondent.)

EDINBURGH, April 17.

Mr. Morley's acceptance of a peerage, and his exchange of the green benches of the Commons for the red cushions of the Lords, has been a painful shock to the stalwarts of the Montrose Burghs. They shake their heads over Honest John's political weakness. In their eyes he has fallen, and not been placed upon a higher seat. That the man who made the famous phrase of "monding or ending" should find his personal salvation in a third alternative, by joining the ranks of the doomed, has "staggered humanity" of the Northern Radical persuasion. The letter in which he sought to break the news gently to his constituents was a study in euphuism; his expression about "the other House of Parliament" was much admired for its dexterity, and much smiled at for another reason. It was out of consideration for his old friends, no doubt, that he avoided the use of the word "Lords," but there could be no concealing of the underlying fact. And they are not to be comforted. They aspire deeply, and say to each other in the lines of the said eagle, "What was he thinking of—why, why, why?"

The by-election in the Montrose Burghs gives promise of as keen a contest as that at present being waged in the neighbouring Kinrossshire. The group consists of Montrose, Arbroath, Forfar, Brechin, and Bervie. The constituency is mainly, if not entirely, a manufacturing one. In Arbroath, the spinning of flax and the manufacture of sailcloth and heavy linen goods is the staple industry. There are also large engineering works and a couple of boot and shoe factories. In all probability, the battle will be fought over our present industrial condition. Tariff Reform will be made the main plank of the Unionist platform. The question will be aided by the local affairs of the five burghs.

Within eight years, the electorate has fallen off by nearly seven hundred, the result of emigration, and the inquiry will be pressed home, why, under the blessings of Free Trade, did not these householders find employment in the Mother Country? Already the Liberals are recognising that the election will be a critical one for their party.

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ARSENALS FOR JAPAN.

(From Our Correspondent.)

LONDON, April 21.

British and American firms are expected to receive invitations within a few days to quote for the supply of extensive quantities of modern plant and machinery for the proper development of the resources of the three principal naval and military arsenals in Japan. Some of the plant has already been contracted for on the Continent but British makers are hoping to get a look in for the orders that still remain.

KONGMOON-FATSHAN RAILWAY.

(From Our Correspondent.)

CANTON, May 19.

Crowned with success in the construction of the Sunning-Kungyik railway, which is expected to be completed by the end of the year at a cost of \$2,400,000, the Sunning Railway Company has approached the proper authorities with a view to increasing the Company's capital in order to obtain the concession between Kongmoon and Fatshan. The Canton-Hankow Railway Company, however, has lodged a strong protest to the effect that the concession in question belongs to them and that the Sunning Railway Company should not be granted the concession. The matter is still pending in the Board of Posts and Communications.

Strong resentment prevails at the attitude of the Canton-Hankow Railway Co. and it will give general satisfaction if the Board decides to grant the concession to the Sunning Railway Company.

EASTER AT HOME.

A Terrible Tragedy.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

LONDON, April 21.

Easter has been splendid, on the whole, though the east winds and occasional hail have been troublesome at times. The result of the first burst of Spring has been that record crowds of holiday makers have poured to the country and the sea side.

In North West Manchester, where Mr. Winston Churchill is fighting for his seat, and two or three other constituencies where the preliminaries of a fight are being arranged, there is an absence of Easter calm, but generally speaking the country is taking a "breath" after the long winter.

There has been one notable Easter tragedy, however, to mar the pleasant upriver of Staines. A prosperous City lace merchant named Buchholz recently took a year's lease of an expensive furnished riverside house and used it for week ends. He was accompanied by a smart young woman of dashing appearance who was known as his wife, and who soon attracted attention as a brilliant housewife. On the morning of Good Friday the servant of the house found the lady shot through the head behind the piano in the drawing room, while in the bathroom the dead body of the merchant was lying similarly marked, with a revolver by his side.

Investigation has led to the discovery of details of the romantic career of the lady. She was known to many as Miss Nancy Power, but in reality she was the wife of a man now resident in Jamaica.

She was the daughter of a Welsh publican and began life with three brothers and sisters in no very luxurious way. When still young, however, she met a lady of means who took a fancy to her and had her thoroughly educated. She developed a very attractive appearance and cultivated the arts of conversation with success. Presently she met a Mr. Power, a merchant of Jamaica, and married him, subsequently going to live in the island of beauty and unrest. When the great earthquake struck the island her husband's concerns were badly hit. She returned home and gave no account of her life or of the whereabouts of her husband. It is said, however, that he is still in Jamaica and that the lady, finding his means shortened for the time, determined that she would start for fresh and more luxurious pastures, so she came to England again. She had been living with Mr. Buchholz for some months when, about a fortnight ago, there was a tiff at the up-river residence and she left. He became very distressed over this and spent the following week telegraphing to her scattered haunts, begging her to return to him. There was apparently a reconciliation, for this week end the pair appeared once more at Staines and seemed to be in the best of spirits. They dined in great hilarity, but next morning they were found as I have described. The theory is that the lady had other admirers, and Mr. Buchholz, finding his finances insufficient to stem the drain of her expenses, determined in a fit of jealousy to kill her rather than allow her to abandon him for someone else.

WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued by Mr. Figg of the Hongkong Observatory:—On the 20th at 11.55 a.m. The barometer has risen considerably on the N. E. coast of China, and a slight increase of pressure has taken place in S. China.

Pressure is highest over S. W. China, and lowest over Shanghai.

Gradients are slight, generally, and light variable winds may be expected in the Formosa Channel and the N. part of the China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-morrow.

FORECAST DISTRICT.
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According to the "Mainichi Dempo" the Hara Shoten has made arrangements to export 20,000 catties of silk to Moscow. This is said to be the first transaction of the kind between Japan and Russia.

It is officially estimated that, despite some damage done by unreasonable weather, the Japanese wheat crop will be as good as last year. The silk cocoons will be a little later than last Spring, but the output is expected to be better.

The Chinese in Canton are complaining of the high rates charged by the Canton Electric Company. A Prefect was appointed to investigate the complaint and has reported to the Viceroy. It appears that according to the agreement under which the concession for lighting the city was granted the Company was to charge only two-thirds of the ordinary rate for electricity consumed by Government offices and that an exclusive privilege was to be extended to the Viceroy's Yamen, viz., charging one-half of the usual rate. Evidently there appears to be some defect in the meters as when compared with the bills of ordinary commercial houses there seems to be a variation. The Canton Government is now communicating with the Electric Company with a view to a reduction in rates and it is believed that the matter will be satisfactorily settled.

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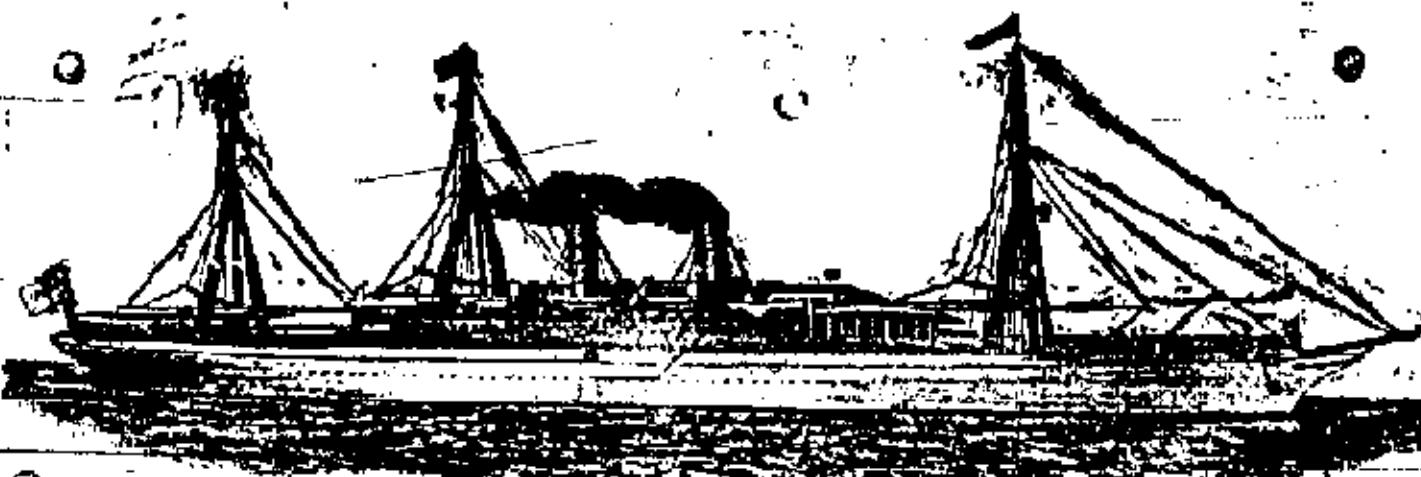
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SHANGHAI.	ARCADIA	About 28th	Freight and Passengers.
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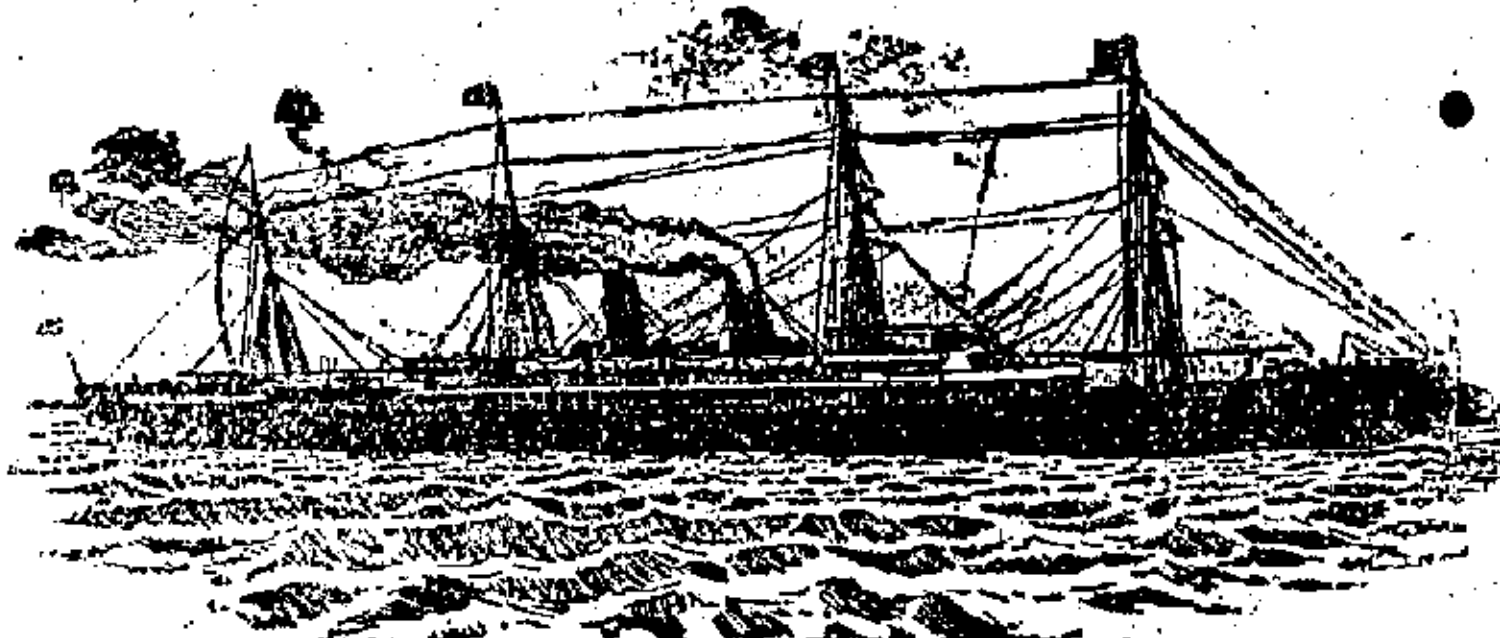
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SIBERIA	18,000 "	SATURDAY, 4th July, at Noon.
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MANILA	Fuzhou	May 26, at 4 p.m.
HOIHOW & HAIPHONG	Singao	May 27, Daylight
CEBU & ILOILO	Kaifoo	May 27, at 4 p.m.
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TIENTSIN	CHEONGSHING	SATURDAY, May 23, at Noon.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	FOOKSANG	WEDNESDAY, May 27, at Noon.
MANILA	YUENSANG	FRIDAY, May 29, at 4 p.m.
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